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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Tariq M. Rana

Application No. 10/672,069

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Art Unit: 1635

For: IN VIVO GENE SILENCING BY CHEMICALLY  
MODIFIED AND STABLE siRNA

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Dear Madam:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated November 10, 2009. A Notice of Appeal was filed on May 7, 2010. A Request for Continued Examination and a Request for Extension of Time are being filed concurrently herewith. Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.